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Applicant: Bucher et al.

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For: Quick Install Blade Arms For Ceiling Fans

Examiner: Verdier Group: 3745 Paper No.: ____

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the subject application, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 4, after "1998" insert - - now U.S. Patent 6,171,059--.

Page 1, line 5, change "which has been allowed" to - - now U.S. Patent 6,010,306--.

Page 6, line 23, after "1998" insert - - now U.S. Patent 6,171,059--.

Page 6, line 24, after "1997" insert - - now U.S. Patent 6,010,306--.

Page 6, line 26, delete "and 115' ", insert - - (only one is shown) --.

Page 6, line 26, delete " , 117' ".

Page 7, line 21, after "1998" insert - - now U.S. Patent 6,171,059--.

Page 7, line 22, after "1997" insert - - now U.S. Patent 6,010,306--.

Page 8, line 15, after "1998" insert - - now U.S. Patent 6,171,059--.

Page 8, line 15, after "1997" insert - - now U.S. Patent 6,010,306--.

Page 9, line 13, after "1998" insert - - now U.S. Patent 6,171,059--.

Page 9, line 13, after "1997" insert - - now U.S. Patent 6,010,306--.

Page 9, line 17, change "prongs 335" to - - an opening 335 --.

Page 9, line 21, change "appositively" to - - oppositely --.

Page 9, line 22, change " 326" " to - - 326' --.

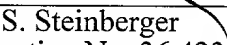
Remarks

Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested. Favorable consideration of this application is requested.

A proposed drawing correction is included with this preliminary amendment. Entry of this correction is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully urged that claims 1-7 be allowed. Such action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, the Examiner is requested to contact the attorney at the below listed number.

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Fig. 2B

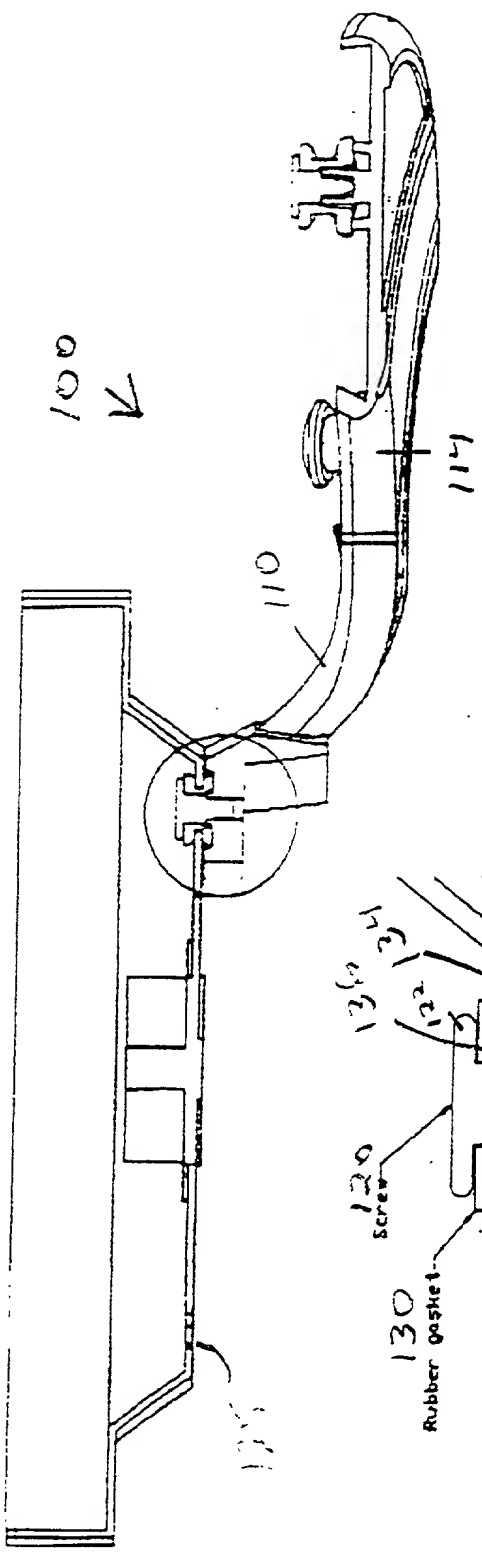


Fig. 2E

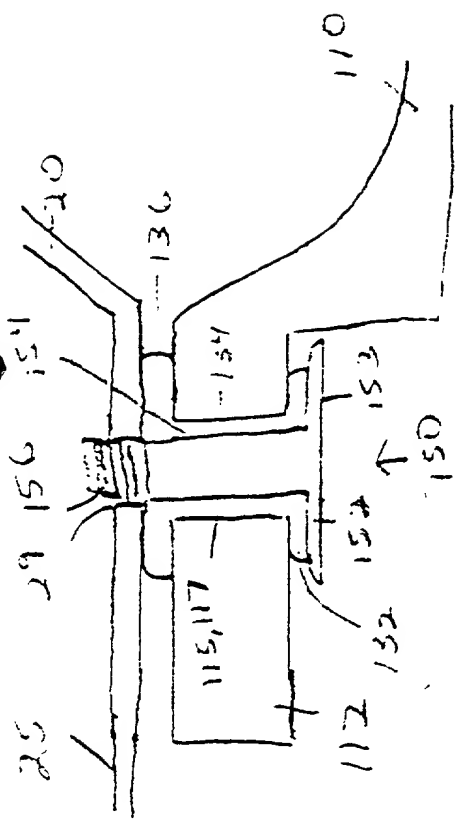


Fig. 2C

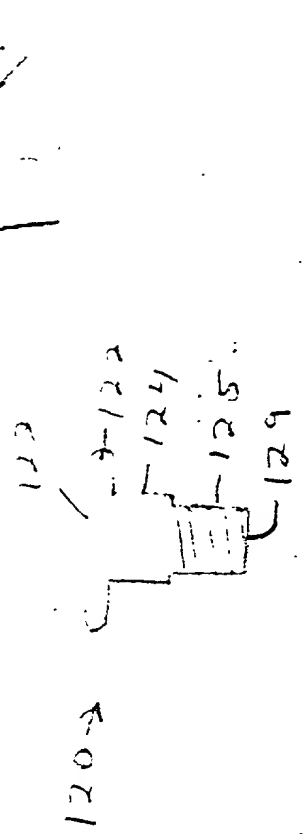


Fig. 2D

